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Applicants : Staimer, et al.  
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Filed : February 23, 2004  
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OPTICAL BIO-DISCS AND METHODS  
RELATING THERETO  
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In response to the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b), which was mailed by the Office on July 21, 2004, enclosed are:

- (X) Petition for Entitlement to Priority Date.
- (X) An executed Declaration by Inventors.
- (X) Copies of drawings as filed in Provisional Patent Application No. 60/449,192, Figures 1-22C, which are incorporated by reference in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/785,376.
- (X) A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.
- (X) Fees as calculated below:

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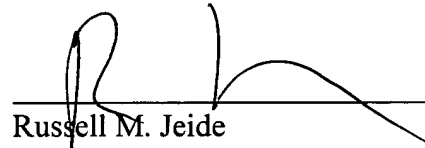
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| FILING FEE                    | \$1,342 |
| SURCHARGE 37 CFR 1.16(e)      | \$ 130  |
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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)). Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition. Petitions should be mailed to: Mail Stop Petitions, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

- The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." *Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).*
- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$572 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

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**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1342 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$572
  - \$86 for 1 independent claims over 3.
  - \$486 for 27 total claims over 20.

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